



GCSE FOOD PREPARATION AND NUTRITION

YEAR 11

AUTUMN TERM NEWS

Dear Parents

As discussed at Year 10 Parents' Evening, we explained we would write to you regarding your child's Non Exam Assessment Tasks in food preparation and nutrition. As you may know from your children, over the last few weeks we have been completing work in the build up to beginning the first task. We are now ready to begin this first assessed task. Just to remind you, your son / daughter will complete 2 Non Exam Assessment Tasks in Year 11. Task 1 – accounts for 15% of their final GCSE grade, Task 2 a further 35%. At the moment we are focussing on Task 1.

Task 1

We will begin Task 1 – week beginning Monday 25th Sept. All lessons from this point to half term will involve completion of work for this task. Pupils will be issued with a detailed list of lesson dates; these will also be posted on the VLE.

During this time it is crucial that pupils are in lessons – and not absent.

After half term – pupils will be on study leave and completing Year 11 trial examinations. For Food there will be a written paper of 1 hour 45 mins – this is a trial examination,

During this trial examination period, pupils will also be completing their NEA Task 1 practical assessment. **This will last 3 hours and is the REAL examination.** Pupils will be informed which session they will need to attend, as numbers are high in food these practical sessions will be completed over a number of days. We will also post this information on the VLE. Please note that if a pupil is absent it is going to be very difficult to reschedule this practical, due to the time duration, and therefore pupils may lose marks.

After the trial examination period, pupils will then continue with this NEA task, and we aim to have this completed by no later than the week ending 1st December.

As pupils will be completing a great deal of investigative work, and in order to make it easier for you, we will provide all ingredients needed. We would like therefore, to ask for a donation of £7.00 to cover the cost of all ingredients for this task. This can be paid by cash, cheque or via the online system (the preferred method).

In the run up to Christmas we will then introduce Task 2 to pupils and will further brief you on what is involved at the start of spring term.

REVISION

A full revision list is currently available on the GCSE food Preparation and Nutrition pages. Here pupils will also find supportive revision materials. These are in addition to their class notes and also their textbook (available digitally through the vle).

Revision books: Pupils also have the opportunity to purchase a revision book and a study support book. These are available to buy from school now at a cost of £6.00. This can be paid by cash, cheque or via the online system (the preferred method).

HOW YOU CAN HELP

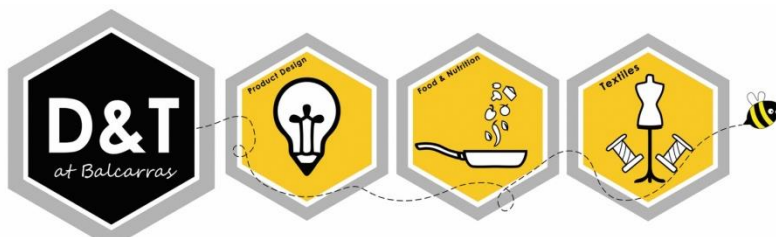
You can support your son /daughter by regularly checking the vle. All lesson information / homework is posted here. You will also find revision materials and further information on NEA task 1.

Should you have any questions then please get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support

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I acknowledge receipt of the GCSE Food Newsletter, detailing information about Non Exam Assessment.

Signed.....

Name.....

Please return to Mrs Saunders or Mrs Cozens

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